



## Charter Amendments on the ballot: What they say, What they mean

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### Ballot Question for Proposed Amendment 1:

Shall Article VII of the Knox County Charter, entitled "Pensions", be amended to: (1.) close the present Uniformed Officers Pension Plan to new participants, effective December 31, 2012; and (2.) direct the Knox County Retirement and Pension Board to recommend for approval by the Knox County Commission a new Uniformed Officers Pension Plan for sworn officers regularly employed by the Knox County Sheriff's Office employed on or after January 1, 2014?

### Explanation:

A vote to approve this amendment would close the pension plan for uniformed officers within Knox County and require the Pension Board to develop a new retirement package for uniformed officers hired on or after January 1, 2014.

### Ballot Question for Proposed Amendment 2:

Shall Section 9.17 of the Knox County Charter, entitled "Term Limits", be amended to: (1.) clarify that no person should be able to hold the same elected office of Knox



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**Knox County voters stand in line at the City County Building last Friday to take advantage of Early Voting for the November election. Early Voting opened on Wednesday, and as of Friday night, 20,814 Knox Countians have voted.**

County for more than two consecutive terms, (2.) define a "term" as a full elected period as prescribed by law; and (3.) permit a person who is term limited in one office to serve in a different elected office?

### Explanation:

A vote to approve this measure ensures that a partial term will not count against a two-term limit. The second part of this amendment merely clarifies that a partial term

is not considered a "term", while the final measure ensures that officials are eligible to run for another office within the county.

### Ballot Question for Proposed Amendment 3:

Shall Section 9.17 of the Knox County Charter, entitled "Term Limits", be amended to provide that the members of Commission elected by districts and the members of Commission elected at-large be

considered the same elected office for the purpose of term limits?

### Explanation:

A vote to approve this measure ensures that a commissioner elected at-large is unable to run again for a consecutive commission seat within a district or vice versa.

### Ballot Questions for Proposed Amendment 4:

Shall Section 6.01.B of the Knox

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## FOCUS Weekly Poll\*

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**In your opinion, who do you think won the debate?**

**OBAMA 36.43%**

**ROMNEY 63.57%**  
Survey conducted October 18, 2012.

\* Focus Weekly Polls are conducted by an independent, professional polling company.

## Knox Countians Believe Romney Won Debate

By Focus Staff

Knox Countians have definitive opinions as to who won the most recent presidential debate. More than 500 likely voters in Knox County were asked the question, "The most recent presidential debate was held at Hofstra University and was in the form of a town hall. In your opinion, who do you think won the debate?"

Every age group surveyed think former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney won the debate. Fewer women believed Romney won the debate than men, with roughly 60% of women voters thinking Romney had the upper hand. Almost 68% of men believe Romney won the debate.

When breaking the survey down to Commission districts, voters inside the City of Knoxville had a different view of the debate than those voters outside the city limits.

Almost 70% of voters inside the First District believe President Barack Obama won the debate. The First District is located entirely within the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville.

Just over 54% of those surveyed in the Second District felt President Obama won the debate; the numbers for Obama fell sharply as the survey moved west. Approximately 37% of likely voters inside the Third District thought President Obama won the debate, with just over 63% believed Governor

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## Powell Playhouse presents: 'Arsenic and Old Lace'

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Powell Playhouse is bringing its antics back for a new fall performance of "Arsenic and Old Lace." The play is directed by the beloved Powell Playhouse founder Nita Buell Black and contains many recognizable faces from the playhouse's other successful endeavors. Just in time for Halloween, "Arsenic and Old Lace" tells the story of Abby and Martha Brewster, two charming old sisters with the disturbing habit of killing lonely gentlemen who visit them. They poison these fellows to put them out of their misery using their Elderberry wine. Ingredients include "...one teaspoonful of arsenic, a half teaspoonful of strychnine, and just a pinch of cyanide." "It has a quick kick," explains Chuck Denney who plays Officer Brophy.

Bonny Pendleton and Barbara Robertson, whom audiences will recognize from their wonderful performances in

"Steel Magnolias," play Abby and Martha. Pendleton has wanted to play Abby for years. "Comedy is my favorite theater, and this show gives me the opportunity to make the audience laugh often," Bonny says. "I love that the humor of Aunt Abby is subtle. Every funny thing she says is very serious to her. This makes the delivery especially tricky. I need to be very sincere with the lines."

Barbara Robertson is joined on stage by real-life husband Allen, who plays evil nephew Jonathon. "We've performed together in several productions in the past, but this is our first play together since we married three years ago," Barbara says. "Arsenic" is one of our favorite shows, and we're having a great time together. It's also handy to have someone around to run lines with," she says.

Insanity runs in the Brewster family. Brother Teddy - who fancies himself as the real President



Barbara Robertson and Bonny Pendleton rehearse "Arsenic and Old Lace."

Teddy Roosevelt - helps dispose of the corpses with his shovel. Nephew Mortimer Brewster discovers the mayhem and must decide what to do. Veteran actor Craig Taylor Brown plays Teddy, the delusional nephew who blows his bugle at inopportune times and charges up an imaginary San Juan Hill. Brown has appeared in the past with Theatre Knoxville Downtown, Maryville College Theater, and the Smoky Mountain Passion Play.

Other characters include Mortimer's love interest; the ladies' long-lost, demented nephew and his alcoholic, physician sidekick; clueless cops; and a

host of potential victims.

Adam Hill is Mortimer Brewster, a role he first played at Powell High School in 2004. Hill loves the physical nature of the part. "I'm a huge fan of slapstick comedy," he says. "Being able to run and jump around on stage - it's a blast."

Other cast members include PPH veteran Gina Jones as Elaine, Mortimer's fiancée. Playhouse newcomer Steven Miller is Dr. Einstein, and faithful Playhouse volunteer Hoyt Lansdell is Mr. Gibbs. Veteran Knoxville actor Gary Mullins plays dual roles - Rev. Harper and Mr. Witherspoon. Mullins has appeared in more than 30

productions with Theater Knoxville Downtown.

What would a farce be without bumbling police? Officer Brophy is played by Chuck Denney, and he's joined by playhouse newcomers Officer Klein (Dave Arter), Officer O'Hara (Scott Smith) and Lieutenant Rooney (Bryan Murphy).

No production comes off without a great crew. Lynette Brown will serve as Stage Manager. Rebecca Broom and Carly Johnson are Prop Managers. Set designers are Randy Cross and Jeff Huffaker. Lighting will be done by Steve Horner, and Billy Staggs will serve as Sound Technician. Mona Napier

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# Silver Hawkeyes and the Old Man



By Richie Beeler

## Three small states could decide a huge election

With a scant two weeks remaining in this 2012 presidential campaign, the outcome of the election is once again coming down to the same determining factor as it always does - simple math.

Well.... perhaps not entirely simple, but math nonetheless. As the old saying goes, numbers don't lie. But boy can they make you nervous.

As with all presidential elections, the math centers on the electoral college. Unlike most every free country in the world, the United States does not choose its Chief Executive by a purely popular vote. The electoral college essentially ensures that the President of the United States is elected by the states. It allows each state to cast a proportionate number of votes to elect the president based on population. Each state is allowed a number of electoral votes equal to the number of Senators and Congressmen from that state. It is a winner take all system. By winning the most popular votes in a given state, a candidate is awarded all that state's electoral votes. It's a system that might not make sense to some, but it is by far the most fair and equitable way for the

50 United States to choose their leader.

In order to gain a majority and be elected President, a candidate must garner 270 electoral votes. And one need only take a brief look at the electoral map to tell that this election is likely to be razor close. In fact, with two weeks remaining my amateur analysis tells me that the presidential election of 2012 is going to come down to three states. And I'm not talking about Florida, Ohio, and Virginia. The three states that could decide this election are Nevada, Iowa, and New Hampshire.

As of Friday, October 19, the states that appear likely to fall into Mitt Romney's column total 196 electoral votes. That leaves the GOP nominee needing 74 votes to win the election. So where might Romney - or President Obama - find them? The answer to that question should be obvious to any follower of presidential politics: the notorious swing states.

These states are so named because their political makeup is so divided that they often "swing" back and forth between the Republican and Democratic column from election to election. And it is how these swing states go on election night that also tends to swing the election one way or the other.

Among the swing states are Florida, Ohio and Virginia. They are states that have traditionally leaned Republican, but in which President Obama fared well in 2008. Lately, however, it appears that Governor Romney has pulled even or slightly ahead

there. Missouri is also considered a tossup but has almost always ended up in Republican hands. My gut tells me that these four states will ultimately go Romney's way on election night.

But therein lies the factor that makes this election so unique. Florida, Virginia, Missouri and Ohio offer a total of 70 electoral votes. Even if he wins all four (which is not at all unlikely), that would leave Romney at 266, or four votes short of victory. So where will the other votes come from? That's where the little guys come in.

Also listed among the swing states are Nevada, Iowa and New Hampshire, states that normally would command little attention. Nevada and Iowa have six electoral votes each, and New Hampshire has four. All three states were won by Obama in 2008. All three are virtual tossups according to polls. And any one of them could catapult Romney to the White House.

Which of the three is Romney most likely to capture? That's a million dollar question in itself. Iowa has been one of the most evenly divided states in the union when it comes to presidential elections over the past four decades. In the last ten races for the White House, the Hawkeye State has voted Democratic five times, and Republican five times. Obama won the state in 2008, and George W. Bush won it in 2004. At the date of this article (10/19) Rasmussen Research polling shows the President with a 49-47 lead.

Nevada is also a tough one to call. Once part of the western "Republican lock," the Silver State has trended more Democratic in recent years. It is home to Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, but has voted GOP in seven of the last ten presidential elections. George W. Bush won the state both times. Rasmussen currently shows Obama with a razor-thin lead.

Then there is the Old Man of the Mountain. The place where presidential campaigns begin. New Hampshire has become iconic to presidential elections as the place where it all starts. This year, it could be the place where it all gets decided. The state's four electoral votes could be an absolute treasure on election night. Certainly more liberal than its southern counterparts, New Hampshire is still a largely rural state with an independent streak a mile wide. The state motto, "Live Free or Die" serves notice that New Hampshire pays homage to no political party.

The latest numbers from Rasmussen show Obama with a very slim lead, but polls have fluctuated back and forth between the two candidates. Romney's image as a northeastern moderate could play very well for him there. New Hampshire has voted Republican in six of the last ten presidential elections, and has picked the winner eight times.

The election of 2012 could well be number nine.

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In your opinion, who do you think won the debate?



| By Age       | Obama               | Romney              | Total      |
|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|
| 18-29        | [None]              | 100.00%             | 3          |
| 30-49        | 35.56%              | 64.44%              | 45         |
| 50-65        | 37.50%              | 62.50%              | 200        |
| 65+          | 36.21%              | 63.79%              | 290        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>36.43% (196)</b> | <b>63.57% (342)</b> | <b>538</b> |

| By Commission District | Obama               | Romney              | Total      |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|
| 1                      | 69.23%              | 30.77%              | 26         |
| 2                      | 54.10%              | 45.90%              | 61         |
| 3                      | 36.73%              | 63.27%              | 49         |
| 4                      | 38.46%              | 61.54%              | 78         |
| 5                      | 19.18%              | 80.82%              | 73         |
| 6                      | 29.85%              | 70.15%              | 67         |
| 7                      | 28.77%              | 71.23%              | 73         |
| 8                      | 40.32%              | 59.68%              | 62         |
| 9                      | 34.69%              | 65.31%              | 49         |
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| By Gender    | Obama               | Romney              | Total      |
|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Unknown      | 37.50%              | 62.50%              | 16         |
| Female       | 40.46%              | 59.54%              | 262        |
| Male         | 32.31%              | 67.69%              | 260        |
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Perhaps the most surprising result were the numbers in the Fifth District, which is comprised largely of the Town of Farragut and far West Knox County. Less than 20% of the likely voters inside the Fifth District believed President Obama won the debate, with a staggering 80.82% believing Governor Romney won the debate.

Another surprising figure

was the number of voters inside the Eighth District who believed President Obama won the debate. More than 40% of those surveyed inside the Eighth District say they think President Obama won the debate. The Eighth District is a sprawling area completely outside the City of Knoxville and concentrated in East and Northeast Knox County. Known as a conservative area, those are high numbers for Obama.

## Bell County Bliss at WDVX



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I often enjoy going to WDVX for their live shows, The Blue Plate Special and Tennessee Shines. In a way, it's become sort of a second church to me. I guess because it is more than entertainment. Like church, there is a feeling of fellowship at WDVX- a fellowship of like-minded lovers of roots music. There is also a reverence for the sacred. To those of us in the roots music fellowship, the sounds of a steel guitar, a dulcimer, a harmonica, and a raw twangy voice are

sacred sounds in danger of being lost in a sea of an over-synthesized, airbrushed racket.

I wouldn't have missed the October 15 show for the world because I knew two of my fellow Bell County Kentuckians were going to be on the show: Dale Ann Bradley and Jason Howard. Dale Ann Bradley has been named Female Vocalist of the Year four times by the International Bluegrass Music Association. Her 2011 CD, "Somewhere South of Crazy," features East Tennessee's own Sarah Pirkle's song "Come Home Good Boy." Hearing Bradley's Southeast Kentucky twang singing the sad story of Billy Joe McAllister touches a sweet spot in my heart that is often neglected in the struggle to keep up with the newest technologies and the trend to make life more efficient.

It was also great to see Jason Howard, another example that coal isn't the only thing that can come shining out of those mountains. Howard read from his new book, "A Few Honest Words: The Kentucky Roots of Popular Music." Howard is several years younger than I am and his appreciation for roots music gave me hope that the sacred sounds of home will continue to be protected and handed down. His writing has also been featured in The New York Times, The Nation, Sojourners, Equal Justice Magazine, Paste and on NPR.

Also on the show Monday were Eric Brace and Peter Cooper, two former newspaper writers turned professional musicians. Their CD "I Love: Tom T. Hall's Songs of Fox Hollow" was nominated for a Grammy. Their chit-chatty style of performing was perfect for WDVX's intimate venue and for the roots music fellowship of bluegrass lovers who go there.

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# Publisher's Position

# Return from Never Land



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has maintained this rule is designed to silence the minority.

Until recently, the Board members were content to operate with a herd mentality, routinely rubber stamping decisions made by the Superintendent. When Mike McMillan was elected to the Board, he changed all that. When Superintendent Jim McIntyre proposed a budget that would have required a 35 cent increase in the property tax, Board members scurried to praise McIntyre for his vision for education and endorsed the tax increase, a burden they will all carry into the next election. McMillan, who is the only former classroom teacher to serve on the Board of Education, was the lone dissenting vote.

Naturally, the other Board members were deeply unhappy not to have unanimity for the funding request. Board Chair Karen Carson recently referred to McMillan's dissenting vote, citing the opposition to increasing taxes in McMillan's district. Carson seemed to be saying that even after the Board had voted, citizens were still registering their protests. Despite what Ms. Carson might think, there is constantly going to be a

public dialogue whenever funding for schools is the subject.

The days when the Board could try and dismiss opposition to its funding by mouthing, "But it's for the children," have come and gone. There's nothing wrong with every aspect of local, state and Federal governments having to justify and explain its expenditures. Board members want to claim independence from the County Commission, yet they are completely dependent upon Commissioners for their funding. Board members have the responsibility of spending the money they want, but no responsibility for raising that money.

Neither the Superintendent nor the majority of the Board members seem to be able to think outside their own narrow interest. The state of the economy, Knox County's debt situation, and several other pertinent facts would seem to factor in to any request for a tax increase. The Superintendent dismisses such frivolous concerns by stating he is not a politician. With every day that passes, it becomes more readily apparent Jim McIntyre is absolutely not a politician,

but neither does he seem to be in touch with reality. The folks toting the bills are by and large hard working people, doing their best to keep food on the table and while everyone wants the best for their children, McIntyre and the majority of the Board seem not to consider the reality of life for most families.

Not so long ago, several Board members - - all of whom were hot to increase taxes on everybody in Knox County - - protested the notion of increasing ticket prices for athletic events at Knox County high schools. These same people who didn't blink once in raising property taxes on working families shrieked in horror at the idea of increasing ticket prices by 50 cents or a dollar. One Board member thought such an increase might prevent families from being able to attend high school football games. Another, who had pointed out the tax increase would only amount to the price of a Coca-Cola per day thought increasing athletic event tickets by 50 cents or a dollar would send some families to the poor house. These are the same people who spend over half a billion dollars of your tax money every year. McIntyre's vision seems

to diminish with every passing day and that vision doesn't seem to include custodians, teachers or even addressing serious flaws inside the current educational structure. More and more both McIntyre and a majority of the Board seem to be living in some Neverland, with Utopia just around the corner, if only we give them all they money they say they need.

The proposed set of rules, or agreement between the Board and the Superintendent is outrageous. There isn't a legislative body in the country that functions in the way the Board of Education proposes its own members conduct themselves. History is full of societies that have operated the same way - - Hitler's Germany, Mussolini's Italy, Stalin's Russia and Mao Tze Tung's China, to name but a few. Never in American history has any legislative body tried to stifle dissent so completely. By the same logic followed by the Board of Education, once the Congress had approved the war in Iraq not a single Member of Congress could utter a critical word or question it.

When there is not unanimity of opinion in the

community, there won't be unanimity of opinion amongst the members of a genuinely elected legislative body, nor should there be.

The Board members don't even follow their own rules as it is; according to that same agreement, Board members are not to embarrass or be highly critical of one another. South Knoxville's member of the Board of Education has openly said several snide, not to mention stupid, things about Mike McMillan. Considering Pam Trainor has contributed absolutely nothing as a member of the Board and brought back even less to the people of South Knoxville, she has little room to criticize anyone. Not once has anyone tried to remind Trainor of the agreement.

The agreement the Board has adopted is outrageous, un-American, and disgraceful. It has no place before a body that is supposed to be representative of the people. Mike McMillan is right to challenge it and refuse to abide by it.

It's long past time the Superintendent and the Board of Education leave Never Land and live in the real world.

# Charter Amendments

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County Charter be amended to provide that the nine members of the Board of Education be elected according to state law and not connect the time of election of Board of Education members to that of the County Assessor of Property?

**Explanation:**  
This amendment specifically addresses the Board of Education. The state's law regarding the election of school board members makes clear that they are to serve in staggered terms, so that there will not be a time when the entire membership is new. Our present County Charter provided for that by establishing the election of five (5) members concurrently with the mayor (then called the "executive"), and four (4) members concurrently with the property assessor. This practice is no longer necessary, as the BOE's election cycle is now set and, pursuant to T.C.A. § 49-2-201, are to

"be popularly elected on a staggered term basis." Presuming this charter amendment passes, the Board's elections would no longer be tied to those of the mayor, property assessor, or any other official.

**Ballot Question for Proposed Amendment 5:**  
Shall Section 2.09.A (4) (c) of the Knox County Charter be amended to clarify that any ordinance of the Knox County Commission to reapportion Commission or Board of Education districts be adopted by a favorable vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the membership of commission?

**Explanation:**  
This measure requires that the redistricting or reapportioning of school board districts within Knox County require the same two-third majority as that of the redistricting or reapportioning of Knox County commission districts.

**Ballot Question for Proposed Amendment 6:**  
Shall Section 6.01.D of

the Knox County Charter be amended to conform to state law and place the responsibility of reapportioning Knox County Board of Education districts with the Knox County Commission?

**Explanation:**  
A vote to approve this measure would clarify that the responsibility for defining school board districts lies solely within the Knox County Commission, in accordance with state law.

**Ballot Question for Proposed Amendment 7:**  
Shall Section 9.17 of the Knox County Charter, entitled "Term Limits,"

be amended to no longer require the Knox County Clerk to annually write Knox County's state legislators and U.S. Representative and both U.S. Senators from Tennessee stating the people's support of term limits at both the state and federal levels?

**Explanation:**  
A vote to approve this measure would alleviate the Knox County Court Clerk from the duty of lobbying state and federal officials on behalf of the people of Knox County regarding the institution of term limits at both the state and federal level.

# Powell Playhouse

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Old Lace' is going to be a hit you don't want to miss." The play runs Oct. 25, 26 and 27 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, October 28 at 3 p.m. Play tickets are \$10 but on Sunday there will be a special \$5 ticket price for seniors. The Playhouse performs at the Jubilee Banquet Facility, 6700 Jubilee Center Way.

handles ticket sales, and Mary Hodge, Kim Hurst and Rebecca Broom are in charge of ad sales. All have volunteered in the past with the PPH. "This play and cast were made for each other," Nita says. "Both answer to the call for great writing and superb timing. 'Arsenic and

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# FOCUS MORE ON Seymour & South Knox

## Seymour First Baptist Church to host TEAM IMPACT

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Seymour First Baptist Church, located at 11621 Chapman Highway, will host the internationally known TEAM IMPACT on October 24-28. Team Impact features some of the strongest men on the planet and will demonstrate astounding feats of strength, such as shattering five feet of concrete with one blow from their massive arms and snapping baseball bats in half with their bare hands.

The group includes world-class athletes, champion power-lifters, previous WWE wrestlers, and former NFL football players. They travel the globe motivating and inspiring people of all ages and have performed their amazing presentation in front of millions. While Team Impact members will capture the attention of young and old with their amazing strength, they will also share an inspiring message of hope.

According to their website the purpose of TEAM IMPACT is to: "partner with local churches to reach individual communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ, to serve the local pastor and build the local church."

The "outside" of the box Christian ministry uses incredible feats of strength to share the Gospel message at churches across the globe. With the likes of such talent as Randall Harris, Josh Thigpen, Greg Lewis, and Ron Waterman, the presentation promises not to disappoint. Yet, at the same time the ministry's goal is to share a more significant message.

According to TEAM IMPACT, "Our unique style of ministry uses the talents of elite athletes performing a mesmerizing production that demands attention of old and young alike. The appeal is nearly irresistible, especially for those who would normally never

attend church. While the method may be different, the message remains the same - Salvation through grace through faith in Jesus Christ."

With the problems American youth face today, Team Impact takes seriously the task of reaching them through their highly acclaimed school assemblies. Visiting nearly 1,000 schools each year, the group has the unique opportunity of speaking to hundreds of thousands of students about the dangers of drugs, alcohol, and the importance of academic excellence. Team Impact will also demonstrate their feats of strength and speak to student assemblies in five Seymour schools while in the area.

For more information on TEAM IMPACT visit them online at [www.team-impact.com](http://www.team-impact.com) or check them out at Seymour First Baptist Church, October 24-28, 7:00 p.m. nightly.

## Thompson assuming larger role at Thompson Carr Auctions

Todd Thompson and Dale Carr of Thompson Carr Auctions have announced that Todd Thompson will be taking over day to day operations of the auction firm starting November 1st. This move is to enable Carr to give his full attention to his new responsibilities and duties as the recently elected 12th District State Representative. Dale's role will

still be supportive to the auction firm and plans to participate in as many upcoming auctions as his schedule permits.

Thompson quoted as saying that it is "Bittersweet. We have been working auctions together for over 23 years, but I also want Dale as my State Representative and focusing his attention on the needs of Sevier County."

## 'Knox Cash Mob' heads south to Stanley's Greenhouses

The Knox Cash Mob is headed to South Knoxville once again, and this time the mob will visit Stanley's Greenhouses and Plant Farm on Davenport Road.

"Stanley's is a great local business with deep roots in Knox County, and, like so many businesses in our community, they are being impacted by the current economy," Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett said. "I hope folks from all across the county will come out to South Knoxville to support this long-standing local business."

The Knox Cash Mob at Stanley's will have a fall festival-like atmosphere, which will include hot dogs, hay rides for kids, cemetery tours, games and cash mob specials.

The Mob will be Saturday, Oct. 27 from 3-6 p.m.

Stanley's Greenhouses and Plant Farm is located at 3029 Davenport Rd. Knoxville, TN 37920.

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Matthew has brought his own love of music to the store and has expanded the inventory to include thousands of records and 45s, along with a huge selection of CDs, video games and consoles, DVDs, and Blu-Rays. Of course, you can still find all those rare old favorites too, such as cassettes, 8-tracks, VHS tapes, reel-to-reel, and new and vintage stereo equipment.

Matthew himself is a long-time music enthusiast with his own extensive

personal collection--both new and vintage. He frequents record stores both near and far, and is committed to refreshing the inventory at Basement Records to make sure you find something you like.

Being a collector himself, he knows how much it means to find the rare items you need to expand or complete your own collection. He and the staff at Basement Records will do their best to help find what you're looking for and will even place special orders for those hard-to-find items!

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## Tennessee District Attorneys Introduce New Anti-Drug Campaign

Tennessee district attorneys have kicked off a statewide campaign to fight the rising rates of prescription medication and synthetic drug abuse among Tennessee's youth. The campaign is called Deceptive Danger, because Tennessee's youth is deceived into thinking that any substance prescribed by a doctor or purchased in a convenience store is safe. Campaign materials include a new educational DVD, two posters and a brochure. In addition, the district attorneys will be making presentations and distributing the materials

to public middle and high schools across the state, supported by a partnership with the Tennessee Department of Education. The Deceptive Danger campaign follows an increase in prescription medication and synthetic drug abuse in Tennessee. The rise in prescription drug abuse prompted law enforcement to focus their attention on fraudulent prescriptions, the operations of pain management clinics or "pill mills," and those dealing prescription medications illegally. The Deceptive Danger DVD shows real

Tennesseans fighting through potentially deadly addictions to prescription medications and synthetic drugs. Their stories reveal how devastating these addictions are. The video contains information about the dangers of prescription medication and synthetic drug abuse and the legal consequences of using and selling these substances. For more information about Deceptive Danger or to schedule a presentation for your school or organization, please call General Randy Nichols at (865) 215-2515.



Tennessee DAs gathered last Wednesday to kick off Deceptive Danger.



De Wayne Kirchner

## Designs by De Wayne now open

By Sarah Baker  
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Designs by De Wayne Costume Shop is now open on North Broadway in Knoxville. Broadway costume designer De Wayne Kirchner is bringing his extensive repertoire to our neck of the woods and making it available to schools, churches, playhouses, and the general public. The shop is located inside Paramount U-li-ka cleaners, and

visitors will be astonished at the variety of costumes available and as pleased with Kirchner's organization as they are his prices.

De Wayne Kirchner has worked in the costuming field since 1982. He has designed for Radio City Music Hall, The Metropolitan Opera Company, Broadway, Off Broadway and Stagedoor Manor. He worked with Oak Ridge

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## Highways and By-ways

By Sarah Baker  
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If you think all preachers wear suits, have haircuts like game-show hosts, and carry themselves like funeral home directors, you have obviously never met Knoxville's Preacher Bob. With his long gray hair, long gray beard, and tattoos, Preacher Bob looks more like he stepped out of an episode of "Sons of Anarchy." Still, once you get a load of that warm smile and hear his famous rallying cry, "Well, glory!" you know you are encountering someone unique. He may look like a member of Hell's Angels, but look into his big, brown eyes, listen to his story and you will know that he is closer to being one of Heaven's angels here on Earth.

Highways and By-ways is a Knoxville street ministry formed by Preacher Bob Burger in 1987. According to their website, their goal is to "recycle lost souls of the street for God's kingdom through the Cross and the Blood of the Lamb!"

"If I didn't look the way I look, I couldn't work with the people I work with," explains Burger, who relates to the people on the streets in more ways than just his appearance. In 1984, Burger arrived in Knoxville with only two changes of clothes and



Bob and Mary Burger celebrate 25 years of service through their Highways and By-Ways ministry.

\$25. Then a preacher named Tom Coulter helped him get on his feet and he met his wife, Mary.

On Saturday, October 13, Highways and By-ways celebrated 25 years of service. The celebration was held at Mary Vestal Park in South Knoxville. Attendees enjoyed free hot dogs, hamburgers, and music. Friends and supporters of the ministry were delighted to share in this anniversary gathering.

"It's hard to believe that someone could be so giving, but Preacher Bob and Mary are the real thing," said Suzanne Bauknight. "They love with the love of Jesus and have given all they have to show His love to those the world finds unlovable."

Highways and By-ways worship services are

currently being held at St. John's Lutheran Church on Thursday evenings at 6 p.m. and everyone is welcome. "We don't judge people," says Preacher Bob. We consider everybody a child of God and we let Him do the changing."

The ministry clothes and feeds approximately 1,000 people every month with the support of many churches. "I work with 10 or 15 different denominations and I've never had a controversy," says Preacher Bob proudly.

The ministry is currently trying to raise \$1,000 for each year of Bob and Mary's ministry. For information about how to give, visit [www.highwaysandbywaysministry.com](http://www.highwaysandbywaysministry.com).

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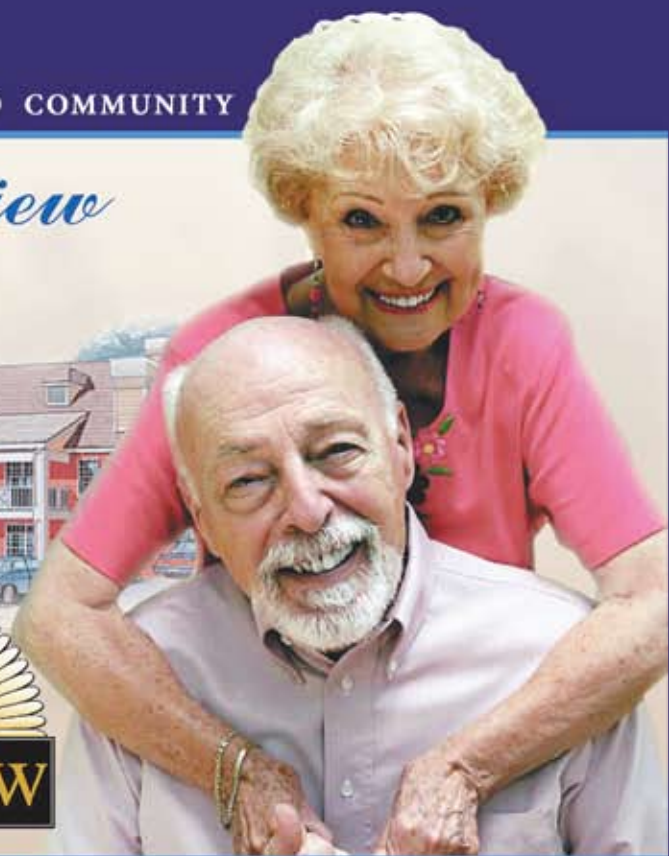
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# 1952 Campaign

## Pages from the Political Past



By Ray Hill

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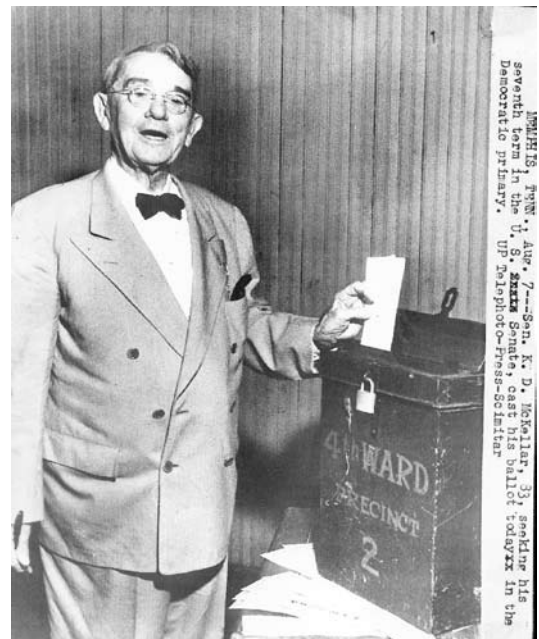
On January 29, 1952, Kenneth McKellar celebrated his eighty-third birthday. He had served as Tennessee's United States Senator for quite nearly thirty-six years after almost six years spent in the House of Representatives. McKellar was photographed by the Nashville Banner being fed a piece of cake by one of his secretaries as part of his small birthday celebration. Despite obvious signs of age and increasingly poor health, McKellar had announced his intent to seek an unprecedented seventh term in the Senate.

Governor Gordon Browning who had long cherished ambitions of serving in the United States Senate himself had concluded he would run if McKellar chose to retire, died or withdrew from the race. Congressman Albert Gore was already running hard to replace McKellar.

Gore represented a very real threat to the continued tenure of McKellar and it was readily apparent to the Senator's supporters he would have to return to Tennessee to campaign unlike his effort six years earlier when he had won easily without once coming home.

Cookeville was chosen as the site of Senator McKellar's homecoming to Tennessee. It was not coincidentally the largest city inside Albert Gore's own Congressional district. McKellar's appearance was to be an all day affair with music, food and being a political event, speeches. Caravans of automobiles filled with supporters made the journey to Cookeville and estimates of the size of the crowd awaiting McKellar ran as high as ten thousand persons. An elaborate stage had been built for the occasion, with an enormous banner hanging above it urging voters to reelect K. D. McKellar to "preserve Tennessee's power in the U. S. Senate." Country music legend Hank Williams entertained the audience and Alvin "Sergeant" York, himself a legendary figure, was on hand to greet his old friend Kenneth McKellar.

Large posters bearing a picture of McKellar from a decade earlier were joyously waved back and forth by supporters, as were signs stating, "Thinking Fellow Votes McKellar" when the old Senator finally got to the podium to speak. McKellar spoke for almost an hour, reassuring his listeners that he was fit to continue serving in the Senate. He said he had worked harder in the last six months than at



*Clockwise from Top: Scene at Cookeville, TN at the McKellar campaign kick off. McKellar poses while casting his ballot. Politics, pretty women and fried chicken. McKellar rouses the crowd. Senator McKellar with his friend and World War I hero Sgt. Alvin York. Senator McKellar posing with country music legend Hank Williams. Senator McKellar speaking in Jackson, TN. Opposite page: Senator McKellar conferring with supporters after making a speech. All photos courtesy of author's private collection and the Nashville Banner Collection, Nashville Public Library.*





# A Feudin' Son of Tennessee: Kenneth McKellar

Chapter  
Twenty-Two

any other time in his life, presenting the detailed appropriations bills to the Senate. In his typically forthright manner, McKellar acknowledged his own greatest liability --- his age --- and more indirectly, his frailty, admitting he suffered from "a little rheumatism in my left leg."

Senator McKellar reminded his audience of the many projects he had brought to Tennessee over his lengthy Congressional service. McKellar, in spite of his advancing years, pointed to the future, saying he wished to remain in the Senate long enough to see four-lane highways stretching from upper East Tennessee all the way to Memphis. Yet, in the course of his speech, a small incident underlined the old Senator's disabilities as he reached for a glass of water. McKellar's hand shook so badly he had to put the glass down without taking so much as a sip in the blistering July heat.

Following the rally, a huge fried chicken dinner was held, which Senator McKellar enjoyed, visiting with old friends and trying hard to make new friends.

The opening of McKellar's statewide campaign was judged to be a success. A headquarters for the McKellar campaign was opened in Memphis, although McKellar himself was not present. Congressman Clifford Davis stood in for the absent McKellar, praising the Senator's record and pointing out McKellar had brought almost \$4 billion to Tennessee, a mind-boggling sum at the time.

The "Thinking Fellow Votes McKellar" posters began appearing all across Tennessee and the clever little slogan, a subtle reminder to voters of McKellar's clout in the nation's Capitol, gave Congressman Albert Gore some momentary concern. Gore himself later admitted the

appeal to Tennesseans as to who could do more for Tennessee was a powerful argument. Gore and his wife, Pauline, contemplated a response. Gore credited Pauline with the pithy retort to the McKellar slogan: "Think Some More And Vote for Gore".

The younger and photogenic Gore, despite a continual need for campaign contributions, used every available medium to reach Tennessee voters. Gore moved about the state at a frenetic pace, shaking hands, playing checkers at country stores, making speeches over the radio and even used the new medium of television. The Congressman, an accomplished fiddle player, even brought out his fiddle for some audiences. Gore boldly invaded Shelby County and Memphis, the domain of E. H. Crump and McKellar's home base. Despite having urged the Senator to retire, Crump remained loyal to his old friend and the machine was working hard for McKellar.

Gore remained complimentary of McKellar and his long service to Tennessee, but always referred to the Senator in the past tense. Gore was also careful to point out the elderly McKellar would not suffer want should he be defeated, saying the Senator was eligible for a comfortable pension.

Senator McKellar's own campaign schedule was in marked contrast to that of the youthful Gore. McKellar's campaign appearances were carefully choreographed and limited to visiting Tennessee's larger cities. McKellar received voters at local hotels, shaking hands with supporters, causing the ever critical TIME magazine to say the Senator "tried hard to be pleasant to the voters, a real effort for a man as crusty as McKellar."

McKellar and his entourage traveled comfortably

in an air-conditioned bus, making stops in Jackson, Knoxville and Chattanooga.

Senator McKellar returned to Memphis where a special carnival had been planned in his honor. McKellar, joined by Memphis Mayor Watkins Overton, Chairman of the Shelby County Commission E. W. Hale, and his brother, Clint, spoke from the rear platform of a train brightly beribboned for the occasion. The highlight of the evening was the naming of a large man-made lake for the Senator.

As Election Day approached, many believed McKellar had managed to cut into Albert Gore's lead and make a race out of it. LIFE magazine, another Luce publication unfriendly to McKellar, described the senator as being "chipper and confident". Senator McKellar himself was convinced he would win, although Crump and Democratic National Committeeman Herbert "Hub" Walters thought otherwise. It was not to be. McKellar's service in the United States Senate came to an end in the August Democratic primary. McKellar, as always, remained popular in Republican East Tennessee and he carried the First Congressional district, as well as his home district of Shelby County. Congressman Gore carried everything else. Interestingly, McKellar carried Putnam County, the site of his major campaign rally during the senatorial primary.

Admitting he was "surprised" by the outcome of the election, McKellar was gracious in defeat, promptly offering his congratulations and support to the victorious Gore. Surrounded by supporters at a Memphis hotel, McKellar said, "I congratulate my opponent. Yes, I was defeated but I have no hard feelings against any Tennessean." McKellar, after resting for a few days in Memphis, returned to his

Washington office where he started answering the thousands of condolence letters following his defeat. McKellar told friends he was not bothered by his defeat, wistfully telling one correspondent perhaps it was just as well for him in the long run. Senator McKellar did not snipe privately at Gore, but said he "genuinely hoped" Tennesseans would find Gore "better fitted for the place that I would have been."

McKellar's long-time political partner E. H. Crump wrote the old senator, lamenting his defeat, but reassured McKellar he would be remembered as Tennessee's greatest United States Senator.

To the end of his term of office, McKellar routinely performed the numerous favors and services he had provided constituents for the last thirty-six years. Not only was McKellar not at all bitter over his defeat in the senatorial primary, but he actually seemed somewhat more carefree. Senator McKellar was on hand at Washington's Union Station in late October of 1952 to welcome President Truman back from a campaign swing on behalf of Democratic presidential nominee Adlai Stevenson. McKellar was photographed wearing a baseball cap perched atop his head emblazoned with Stevenson's name. The old Senator was standing beside a pretty woman as he signed a scroll commending the Truman Administration.

Unlike many former Congressmen and senators, McKellar had no intention of remaining in Washington, D. C. and trying to relive past glories of a time gone by. McKellar preferred to go home to Memphis where he had family members. McKellar's term ended on January 3, 1953 and the former Senator lingered in Washington for a few months, tending to the details of closing out his Congressional service and making the necessary

arrangements to have his papers and memorabilia shipped to Memphis. McKellar threw little away and his collection filled several train boxcars as they were shipped back to Memphis.

Having never married, McKellar returned to his apartment in the Gayoso Hotel, once a proud hostelry that was then in decline, despite its claim as the "South's Most Aristocratic Hotel."

McKellar tried to keep up with current affairs and still corresponded with old friends and colleagues sporadically. McKellar was asked if he missed serving in the Senate, to which he replied he did not, although he did say there was nothing quite like the Senate. It is difficult to believe McKellar did not miss the United States Senate where he had spent the bulk of his adult life.

Many of McKellar's siblings were gone, although the former senator was invited to dinner by nephews and nieces, many of which had growing families of their own. McKellar was asked if he would run for the Senate in 1954 against Estes Kefauver, hardly a realistic prospect as McKellar was almost eighty-five years old and in declining health. McKellar entertained no illusions and quickly replied his political career was over. McKellar still retained his personal dislike of Estes Kefauver and supported Congressman Pat Sutton in the Democratic primary.

McKellar's friend and political ally, E. H. Crump, master of Memphis, died in October of 1954 and the former Senator attended the services for his old friend and was genuinely sorry and terribly grief stricken by Crump's passing.

McKellar's last foray into politics was being named as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 1956, but the frail

former senator was too ill to attend. McKellar finally admitted his doctors strongly advised against his going, even though a plane was put at his disposal. McKellar told one correspondent his legs gave him so much trouble he was largely confined to his hotel suite.

Senator McKellar, having already penned a book about Tennessee's United States Senators, tried to keep himself busy by writing a memoir of his own Congressional service and the seven Presidents he had served with over the years. McKellar managed to dictate several hundred pages of material, but the book was never finished.

McKellar underwent a serious operation for an ulcer in 1957 and his nephew Judson advised an inquiring admirer that his uncle still had an iron constitution and seemed to be making a good recovery and had a good appetite. McKellar survived the surgery, but his health was failing fast and he died from kidney failure on October 25, 1957.

The legacy of Kenneth McKellar's senatorial career still stands in the form of those projects he promoted and protected as Tennessee's United States Senator. Oddly, no building in Tennessee is named for McKellar despite the fact he brought more in the way of federal projects than any of his predecessors or successors. The Tri-Cities Airport was once known as McKellar Field and the airport in Jackson, Tennessee was named for the Senator. The old K. D. McKellar Elementary School in Milan is no more.

There is a statue of McKellar at the Tri-Cities Airport and while there are few monuments to Kenneth McKellar, it can truly be said he lived his life in service to the people of Tennessee. There can be no greater monument to any man.



# Arts & Entertainment

## Go! dancers dazzle with recital

By Sarah Baker  
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GO! Contemporary Dance Works performed their sold out fall recital at Clarence Brown Theatre on Saturday, October 13, to a gratified audience. Over forty dancers performed to an array of music from Gershwin to Jars of Clay. The precision and style of these young women could match any company in the area and perhaps those in more metropolitan cities as well.

Director Lisa Hall McKee founded her studio in

1991 to "promote the art of dance by providing quality training, creative performance opportunities and artistic enrichment for young dancers." McKee graduated from the University of Tennessee and has studied classical ballet, jazz and modern dance while performing with the New Repertory Dance Company. She is also a former member of the Sidewalk Dance Theatre and the Oak Ridge Civic Ballet. Each of her instructors also has an impressive resume in her

own right. Numerous students of McKee have been accepted by audition to esteemed dance programs like New York University, North Carolina School of the Arts, Tennessee Governor's School of the Arts and more.

"GO! has allowed me to grow as a dancer and as a person. The extra opportunities of performing I'm given allow me to learn to express myself through dance," said Erin Featherston. "I have a family of wonderful dancers to help me through any

problem I come across. I don't know what I would do without GO!"

The audience at Saturday night's performance was blown away by the talent, the costumes, and the professionalism demonstrated in the performance. There was something for everybody. Numbers like "Beach Day" and "Libertango Café" were amusing and playful. Others like "Pulse" and "Hungered" were heart-rending and edgy. There were twelve numbers in all and each one told a



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GO! Dancers perform "Beach Day." Pictured: Kate Patton, Laura Patterson, Erin Featherston, Maggie Bendy, Rachel Mitchell and Natalie Parent.

separate, inviting story. An audience favorite was "Paris...It Was There All Along," a piece in which famous works of art come to life.

On February 9 and 10, GO! Contemporary Dance Works will present

"Unsung Heroes: Women of World War II" at The Bijou Theatre. For more information, visit [www.studioartsfordancers.net](http://www.studioartsfordancers.net).

## Designs by De Wayne now open

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Playhouse for eight years and designed for Dolly Parton at Dollywood. His "Dolly" designs were published in national magazines. He has also designed for national tours including "Tommy," Marlilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr., and Diane Carroll. Other stars he has worked with include Roseanne Barr, Natalie Portman, and Brice Howard. Did I mention the MTV awards or Disney's Beauty and the Beast? The list goes on and on.

Despite all his big city successes, Kirchner enjoys living in East Tennessee and is glad to be bringing his expertise to the people of East

Tennessee. "We're bringing Broadway to Broadway!" he exclaimed. His most recent adventure has been preparing Pellissippi State Community College for their upcoming show, "Arabian Nights" which will be performed November 2, 3, 9 and 10 at 7:30 p.m. at Clayton Performing Arts Center.

Designs by De Wayne Costume Shop runs the gamut of time periods and everything is very organized according to period, type of garment, gender, etc. Kirchner and his managing partner James Fisher are as approachable and friendly as they are creative. It is worth working with them

just for the fun of it.

Best of all, however, their prices are extremely competitive starting at \$30. Smaller pieces can be as low as \$5-10. Kirchner will never rent anyone a dirty costume. That is one of the beauties of working in a dry cleaner. Clients just return their items to

Paramount/U-li-ka, pay a special small fee, and the dry cleaner will return it to them cleaned for the next client. Can you get better treatment than that? I don't think so.

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from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. To schedule an appointment, call 865-804-6532 or send an email to [designsbydewayne@aol.com](mailto:designsbydewayne@aol.com). For more information or to see examples of Kirchner's beautiful designs, visit [www.designsbydewayne.com](http://www.designsbydewayne.com).

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# Powell's Defense Continues to Shine

**Panthers shut out Central, anticipate a #1 seed in the playoffs**

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Just as it has all season long, the Powell defense rose to the occasion on Thursday and pitched a shutout in the Panther's 20-0 victory over Central on Senior Night 2012. Twenty Powell seniors played their last regular season games on the grass surface of Hayworth Field at Scarbro Stadium. And what a senior class it has been!

In their three varsity seasons, the senior class current holds a 34-3 overall record. They have not lost a regular season game at home, and they likely wrapped up a third consecutive #1 seed in the Class 5A playoffs. Powell has week 10 off, and then will prepare to host the first round when the playoffs begin on November 2. Playoff brackets will be released by the TSSAA next Saturday morning (October 27).

"We certainly believe that we've earned a one seed, but with the way it has gone in the past you just never know", Powell head coach Derek Rang told me after the game. "Heck, I'm a math teacher, but I still can't figure it out", he said with a chuckle.

After losing 16 starters from a 14-1 team that finished as the state runners up in class 5A a year ago and seeing the head coach in Matt Lowe that got them there resign in February, few thought that the Panthers would be in this position again so soon. Rang, however, modestly refused to accept the credit for the 9-1 season in his first as a head coach.

"Coach Lowe did a great job of setting



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**Powell running back Montario Washington (in orange with the football) cuts off of a team mate's block towards the end zone on Thursday night. Washington's 3 touchdowns helped propel the Panthers to a 20-0 Senior Night win over Central, and put the wraps on a 9-1 regular season. Powell will be at home for the first round of the playoffs on November 2.**

things up here, and the assistant coaches and the players did most of the work."

Maybe so, but Rang's leadership and steady demeanor certainly played a huge role in the process, as well. He deserves a huge amount of credit for the program's continued success.

Things didn't look so great from the start on Thursday, however.

Central won the coin flip and chose to defer to the second half. After the Panthers received the kickoff, near disaster struck as the kickoff was mishandled, and then a bad snap forced Powell to punt from its own end zone. The Bobcats looked poised to take the lead early as they had first and ten on the Powell 38. The Panther defense kept Central out of the red zone, however, and the Bobcats turned it over on downs.

In the process, Central's outstanding junior running back JaJuan Stinson suffered a leg injury. He would not be able to continue to play in the game.

With Stinson on the sideline, the Panther defense controlled the line of scrimmage, keeping the Bobcats bottled up the rest of the night.

Offensively Powell was led by junior QB Hagen Owenby and senior running back Montario Washington.

Owenby put up the numbers - 17 carries for 172 yards - and Washington put the ball in to the end zone three times. The first came on a 26-yard reception from Owenby at the 6:36 mark of the first quarter that put Powell up for good.

Before the first half would be done, Washington would also score on runs of 1 and 14 yards. Austin Rogers was good on 2 of the 3 point after attempts, and Powell had the lead 20-0 at the half.

With the lead well in hand, the Powell defense took things upon its collective shoulders to bring home the win in the second half, and it was appropriate on this senior night that two seniors would lead the charge.

Defensive end Shar'on more continued his superb play with another solid night, registering 11 tackles, 2 for loss, and 2 sacks. The two sacks moved Moore further up that record list at Powell. He is now in second in single season sacks with 11 - 3 behind

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# Highlanders Swat Hornets

**By Curtis Trotter**

Carter's senior quarterback Ryan Kirkland put up enough numbers to actually take a much needed victory for his Hornets Friday night at Gatlinburg-Pittman. After connecting on five touchdown passes and controlling the Carter offense on brilliant drives, the only thing standing in the way for the victory was G-P's Blade Durbin who was in the end zone waiting for Kirkland's 'go-ahead' 2-point conversion pass. The interception with just seconds on the clock sent the G-P faithful and the Highlanders home with a 34-33 victory and a (5-4) overall record.

Carter, who fell to (5-5) overall, took their first lead on a Ryan Kirkland to D.L. Marlow 23-yard TD strike to go up 6-0. G-P's Tanner Cox bounced back in the second frame of play with some 'touch down' magic of his own when he found a wide-open Justin Horner for a 28-yard strike and score to knot things up at 6-6. After trading possessions with each other, G-P's Cox zipped a pass to Blade Durbin who made a spectacular one-handed grab and a 14-6 lead after the two point

conversion.

Carter would not be outdone by the G-P lead. Kirkland then responded with a 24-yard pass to Hank Black and a 14-14 halftime score.

In third quarter action, Carter would find the end zone once again on a Kirkland to Black connection. G-P would counter on a Michael Muszik 80-yard scamper and score to give G-P the 22-21 lead. Carter scored once again with the same Kirkland to Black play to regain the lead 27-22. Muszik wasn't done running for the Highlanders though, scoring from three yards out and a 28-27 lead. G-P thought it had put the final nail in the coffin on their last Zeke Williams 21-yard run and score to make it 34-27 with 1:00 minute left on the clock.

Carter would regroup and scare the home crowd on its next quick score to pull within one point on a 60-yard pass from Kirkland to Jordan Greene. Durbin's interception on the two point conversion sealed the deal for the Highlanders. Carter offensive-coordinator Rocky Riley was disappointed in the outcome. "Our

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# Farragut girls take Championship

**By Ken Lay**

Farragut High School's girls soccer team notched its second District 4-AAA Tournament Championship Thursday night.

The victory and title, however, didn't come easy for the Lady Admirals.

"They out-hustled us in the first half," said Lady Admirals junior forward Katie Cloud, who scored the game's lone goal in Farragut's 1-0 victory over Catholic Thursday night at Admirals Stadium. "They outplayed us in the first half. At halftime, we talked about that and we knew that we had to get things going."

The third-seeded Lady Irish, who advanced to Thursday's title match with a 5-1 upset win over Bearden Tuesday, enjoyed the territorial edge and outshot the top-seeded Lady Admirals 2-1 in the first half in which the two defenses took center stage.

The Lady Admirals (19-0-1) managed seven shots after the halftime break. During the same stint, the Lady Irish (13-5-4) got just two shots on frame.

Farragut finally scored when Cloud put the ball behind Catholic goalkeeper Colleen Baker in the 72nd minute. Catholic kept attacking but couldn't get the equalizer. Lady Irish coach Mark Leader was far from disappointed with his team's effort in the district championship match. Both teams advance to Tuesday's Region 2-AAA Tournament where both will face elimination.

# Vonn Bell: At the Top of the Vols Wish List

**By Alex Norman**

It's no secret that the Vols could use a few more big name recruits.

Is Vonn Bell the answer to their prayers for the Class of 2013?

Watch Bell for a few minutes at a Ridgeland (GA) High School practice, and you'll see why he's regarded as one of the top prospects in the nation.

"He's got some God given talents. He is quick, has great angles, great tackler, has all the physical attributes," said Ridgeland head football coach Mark Mariakis. "But what you don't see unless you are inside the

program... is his leadership, his character... just being a positive player out there all times."

Bell is a playmaker on offense, but he's expected to make a more significant impact at the next level on defense. 247Sports rates him as the number two safety in the entire country. That doesn't mean that being a part-time player on offense isn't tempting... and something college coaches are using to woo him.

"Coaches throw it at me a little bit because when they come out and watch me play offense I'm breaking touchdowns," joked Bell. "They say they'll throw me

some snaps, but I just want to play defense. That whole defense championships so... I'd love to get some snaps now and then but we'll see what happens."

"He can do anything he wants," adds Mariakis. "He's being recruited mostly as a defensive back, and people like him at a free safety position. He can make tackle like a true strong safety. He can be a cover corner. And he has great skills on offense. Teams still in the hunt are looking at him both ways and on special teams."

Bell's recruitment continues, and the five-star athlete says he

is in no rush to make a decision. He might wait until his birthday on December 12th... or even later. A few weeks ago Bell eliminated teams like Georgia and Auburn from the competition, and now three finalists have made the cut. Alabama, Ohio State, and the team he grew up following, Tennessee. (Bell lives in Tennessee but goes to school just across the border into the state of Georgia).

That's right Vols fans... to get Bell; you'll have to beat out perhaps Tennessee's two biggest coaching nemeses from the past 12 years.

Bell on Alabama: "Coach Nick Saban. They are the number one team in the nation. That keeps them in the running"

Bell on Ohio State: "Coach Urban Meyer. He's gonna win wherever he goes. He has a history of good coach-players relationships. That's Urban for you."

And Bell on Tennessee: "Coach Derek Dooley. Trying to get that tradition back at Tennessee. They have a rich tradition, just trying to get it back."

"It's (recruiting) a real good experience... meeting new coaches, meeting future

teammates," said Bell. "It's real good process, a once in a lifetime kind of thing."

Bell adds, "I'll talk to my parents, my coaches. But I'm going to get an education first. Student before athlete. That plays a big role in this thing."

Until Bell makes up his mind he'll concentrate on his senior season, while preparing himself to play in college. He's been clocked at 4.4.5 in the 40, and that should make the transition a bit easier. But he knows there's a lot of work to be done before then.

"Get stronger get faster," said **Continue on page 2**



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# The '72 GHS Eagles today



By **Ralphine Major**  
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walk. I was impressed that, given the rough and tough competitiveness of the sport, he was able to maintain Christian behavior."

This football player graduated from Gibbs and married his high school sweetheart, Kathy Gore, after she graduated in 1974. The high school sweethearts are still married today. Doyle said they have two lovely daughters who are also married, and they are fortunate to have two great sons-in-law and two precious granddaughters. The Satterfields are definitely excited that their first grandson is expected in January!

Doyle became an electrical tradesman and HVAC controls installer. He has worked with various employers and even owned a business for several years. Currently, he works for an energy engineering firm. Doyle and Kathy still live in the Gibbs community and marvel at the growth. He shared some of his earliest memories: "I grew up on the part of the property that the Home Federal Bank at Gibbs sets on and can remember a time when everyone that drove by your house on a Sunday

afternoon would honk their horn and wave if you were sitting out in your yard. Most people in the

community knew each other or their families. Now, I can go to Weigel's Market and never see anyone I recognize." Doyle and I were in a group of classmates that attended school together from first grade through the twelfth.

After graduating from TIE (Fountainhead College), ERNIE DEZEARN worked for Rockwell in fiber optics out of Dallas. Ernie returned to East Tennessee when he became employed by Lear Seating Corporation in Morristown where he has worked for twenty-five years. He is married to Jane Rodgers, and they make their home in Talbott. Jane works as an office manager for Re/Max Between the Lakes in Jefferson City. Jane has a son, Ernie has two daughters, and they are proud grandparents to five grandchildren!

The Fieldens were our neighbors, so to speak, since their family's farm joined our grandfather's farm. MIKE FIELDEN said he is "just glad to be back in this area after thirteen corporate relocation moves." He explains further about his work: "A career in Supply Chain and Logistics can be like a military life of frequent moves, but it was good to experience living in different parts of the country and have friends across the U.S." After all their moves and travels,

Mike sums up by saying, "the best place to be is still here." Today, he is back in Tennessee and consults for IdleAir and works with a company in Scott County called Container Technologies. Mike is married to Jean, a third grade school teacher at South Clinton. Jean must have been a great role model for their own children, as well, since the Fieldens' son and daughter both followed in their mother's teacher footsteps. Recently, Mike and Jean celebrated the birth of their very first grandchild!

JOHN ANDERSON followed Coach Ken Sparks into the teaching field. He has been an educator for thirty-two years and is currently Assistant Principal at Carter High School. His wife, Anna, recently retired from a career in food services in the Knox County School System. He has four sons, one stepdaughter, and one stepson. John and Anna are proud grandparents to sixteen grandchildren! There should be a football player in that group somewhere! John said aptly: "I was honored to share my feelings about Coach Sparks. His influences stayed with me well beyond the two years that he coached us at GHS."

DAN LUTTRELL'S family has a long tradition with the Gibbs Community. His father, Dr.

Houston Luttrell, is a graduate of Gibbs High School and went on to become the Department Head of Agricultural Engineering at The University of Tennessee. Dan has lived in eight different states and one foreign country and has worked in engineering and management positions for small companies, large corporations, and a startup business. He has done a lot of traveling around the world for work, as well. Dan said, "I'm a geek engineer at heart, but I do like the small business process and working with customers." Currently, he is doing some engineering consulting and working on the startup of a new business.

Dan has two married daughters, three grandchildren, and another one due after Thanksgiving. The daughters signed Dan up for running races after his wife died. My world was made smaller when I realized that I once worked with his late wife's mother on one of my own job changes. Dan sent a beautiful coastal photo with one daughter and grandchildren on race day. "Grandchildren are amazing," he said. It was great to see Dan sporting a Tennessee orange sun visor and shirt—especially since he lives on the coast of Long Island Sound in Connecticut! Volunteer fans need no reminder that

Connecticut is enemy territory, especially during women's basketball season. I cannot imagine the courage it takes to wear the orange while living in UConn country! Dan even has a Tennessee license plate holder on his car. I think Smokey would say, "Way to go, Dan! But, be careful of those UConn Huskies lurking around the corner!" Dan's current wife, Bonny Whitaker, grew up in Connecticut and is an engineer with the Connecticut Department of Transportation. Bonny went to Florida, so she's a Gator. But, according to Dan, this "house divided" is working it out. After retirement in a few years, they plan to move south. For now, Dan and Bonny occasionally ride road bikes with friends up and down the New England coast.

Jobs and families have taken these former football players far beyond the halls of Gibbs High School. They have passed down values learned at home and school to their own families. Wherever they are today, they will always be a "representative" of the hometown from which they came. They have traveled different paths in life, but they will forever be connected by a common thread and a coach called "Sparks."

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tackling was not very good tonight. Our focus seemed to be non-existent most of the time. We have got to learn to fight through adversity. We are a young team, but that's still no excuse for the way we played tonight. I thought our offensive line blocked well for Kirkland. We just shot ourselves in the foot all night," Riley told The Focus.

Benny Hammonds, who has his team at (3-2) in District 3-AA play, was all smiles after the huge win. "I have to give credit to our boys for playing from the heart. They were kind of down in the dumps after the loss last week at Austin-East. They bounced back and done what they needed to do as team. I thought Michael Muszik had an outstanding night carrying the ball and our

team to victory. It took us playing all four quarters on both sides of the ball to make this win happen. We made enough mistakes to actually get beat. Thank goodness they bounced back and believed in themselves." Hammonds said.

Muszik, who finished the game with 252-total rushing yards, will have to more than likely have the same output next week when G-P hosts Pigeon Forge in the annual "Hammonds Bowl," named for the father/son dual on the sidelines. Lee Hammonds, who coaches the Tigers, is the son of G-P's Benny Hammonds.

Carter will have time to heal and prepare for playoff action as they have a bye week to end the season. Kickoff times are set for 7:30 next week for all East Tennessee teams.

## Vonn Bell: At the Top of the Vols Wish List

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Bell. "Work on better technique, reading the right keys... everything needs a little tweaking, because those guys are at another level up there. It is a grown man's game. I just need to get myself ready for it.

Mariakis adds, "He is a competitive guy. He never thinks he can get beat and you love that kind of aura he brings to a team."

"What Coach (Mariakis) said to me when I transferred here, was that football is based on life," said Bell. "It is how you carry yourself. It brings out your true character, how you handle it."

Football fans in Tuscaloosa, Columbus and Knoxville are hoping to see Bell bring that confidence to their campus next summer.

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239 Ed Beatty

High Series Scratch-Male  
669 Ed Beatty  
626 Stanley Taylor  
621 Hubert Gusby

High Game Scratch-Female  
191 Jeanie Sturgeon  
177 Betty Phillips  
174 Barbara Nelson

High Series Scratch-Female  
571 Carolyn McGill  
486 Kathy Cate  
484 Mary Tate

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300 J.C. Pilant  
300 Billy Majors  
300 Gary Wilson  
300 John Fisher

High Series Scratch-Male  
879 Billy Majors  
815 Gary Wilson  
808 Ralph Allmon

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# GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

## South-Young Trojans made a strong run in 1978

Pete Stafford held the reins of South-Young High School's first and only state playoff football team. And he had a workhorse in Todd Green.

It was 1978. Rivals South and Young were consolidated two years earlier. The navy blue and silver clad Trojans would have 15 football seasons before their school closed in the spring of 1991.

The '78 campaign is the most memorable one. South-Young lost to a rugged Rule team 13-10 in its first game, then won nine in a row to capture the District 4-AAA championship and qualify for the playoffs. "Rule had Mike Cofer and that bunch," Coach Stafford, now 72, recently recalled. Cofer, a "man child" as a tackle, went on to play for UT and the Detroit Lions in the NFL.

"I'll tell you a story," said Stafford. "Todd was Back of the Year in the KFL and Mike was Lineman of the Year, and we met at Fulton at the end of the season to take pictures of those two. Bob Polston (Rule coach) was there and told Green: 'It's a good thing you hadn't played for me. You'd have been a lineman.'"

The Trojans' tough tailback weighed about 215 pounds, said Stafford, and in that era there were a lot of linemen who didn't weigh that much.

"Todd was built like a lineman and run like a deer," said Stafford. "He gained over 1,500 yards. He kicked and punted, too, and played nose guard quite a bit."

As for the loss to Rule, "I remember it like it was yesterday," said Stafford. "Tight end Robbie Ridings jumped on a play we scored a touchdown." After the penalty, South-Young had to settle for a field goal and took a 10-7 lead. Rule scored a touchdown later to take the lead and the Trojans couldn't score again. Stafford noted Ridings, a standout linebacker, would go on to become a four-

year starter at MTSU. Stafford also recalled the Trojans' next game at Harriman had an unusual ending. "They had two good players, a wideout and running back, who went to Tennessee Tech and played with my son (John)," said Stafford. "We were down by five points with 10 seconds left. Instead of downing the ball, they ran a play and fumbled."

Given new life at the Harriman 10-yard line, South-Young had an "automatic" for the situation, crisscrossing its ends in a play called "X pattern," said Stafford. "We had no timeouts left. Nothing we could do except pray. Somebody answered it for us."

The 36-34 victory put the Trojans on the winning trail.

South-Young went on to beat West 41-8, Karns 29-13, Bearden 28-0, Austin-East 21-6, Central 14-12, Fulton 27-26, Heritage 35-7 and Doyle 20-14. The win over Fulton gave the Trojans the district title.

The special season was a family affair for the Staffords. Not only did the head coach's son start at defensive end and play tight end, his daughter (Kim) was one of the cheerleaders and his wife (Faye), according to Pete, "was up in the stands hollering."

Green led the way, but he had a strong supporting cast.

Like Green, fullback Donnie Large and wingback and defensive back Mike Householder could run the 40 in 4.5.

Danny Parrott, a southpaw who didn't play football until his junior year, became S-Y's quarterback in 1977 and 1978 after Frank Vick left to go to Doyle. Brothers Chris Oldacre, wide receiver, and Greg Oldacre, linebacker, were key contributors.

Stafford also cited guards Butch Inman and Donnie Clark, cornerbacks Greg Ogle and David Rose, center Herbie Horner, linebacker Brian Foster, strong safety Donnie Day and tackles Dean Schneitman, Jeff Cox and Randy Hensley.

Ogle's dad, Albert, was an assistant coach and athletic director at the time for S-Y. Allen Jones and Jim Atkins also were

assistant coaches. "Some of our best plays were traps, with the blocking of the two guards, Clark and Inman," said Stafford.

Tony Spradlin was a versatile member of the squad as a backup tailback, return specialist and starting safety. "He and Darrell Ross, who played for me later, were two of the best return men I ever coached," said Stafford.

South-Young ran into Farragut in the playoffs and lost 35-7. The Admirals were coached by Kenny Sparks, now one of college football's all-time winningest coaches at Carson-Newman. Bill Bates, who went on to earn fame as a special teams player with the Dallas Cowboys, was a tight end and strong safety for Farragut.

"We were up 7-6 right before the half," recalled Stafford, "and they threw a screen pass for a touchdown. We lost Greg Ogle (broken nose) on the play." It was a costly injury that Bates and the Admirals took advantage of in the second half.

Bates and Green, remembers Stafford, had a bone-jarring collision in the contest.

"It was one of the hardest licks I've ever seen in my life," said Stafford. "It took both a few seconds to get up. Both were wide-eyed. It might have been one of the plays Bates mentioned in his book ('Shooting For The Star'). It happened early in the game, maybe on the opening kickoff."

John Clabo, the last head coach at Young, coached South-Young's first football season. Stafford took over in 1977 and coached the Trojans to 36 wins in six seasons before becoming assistant principal. Allen Jones and Dale Schneitman finished up leading the S-Y football program.

The new city school south of the river would remain in existence until it was merged with Doyle High in 1991 to form present day South-Doyle.

From 1976 through 1990, the South-Young Trojans won 58 games and lost 90. They had the horsepower, though, in '78.

# Panthers prove too much for Farragut on Senior Night

Senior Night at Bill Clabo Field couldn't have started much worse for the Farragut Admirals.

Farragut (3-6 overall, 2-4 in District 4-AAA) saw its defense surrender a long touchdown on the second play from scrimmage and it was all downhill from there as Lenoir City started fast and cruised to a 41-28 district victory Friday night.

The fireworks all started for the Panthers when quarterback Jordan Hall connected with Jaylon Woods on a 76-yard scoring strike. Lenoir City (8-1, 5-1) then converted a two-point conversion when Hall found Lucas Hamilton alone in the back of the end zone to make the score 8-0.

"I don't know what to say about that [two-point] play," Admirals' senior noseguard C.T. Leavell said. "They're a good football team and we just didn't execute. They had some big plays and forced some turnovers."

Big plays were the order of the day for the Panthers, who will enter this week's game against Maryville in second place in one of Tennessee's toughest districts.

"They're a good team and that's why they're 8-1 going to a game with Maryville," Farragut coach Eddie Courtney said. "Our kids played hard and it's never been a question of effort with this team."

"Right now, I just hurt for our kids because I know that they want it so bad. It's been a tough year."

Things have been difficult for the Admirals in 2012 and Friday night was no exception. Farragut surrendered big plays all night. Meanwhile, the Panthers scored early and often.

Lenoir City took a 15-0 lead with 4 minutes, 58 seconds left in the opening quarter when Hall and Woods connected on a 3-yard scoring pass. Woods finished with six receptions for 142 yards and scored twice for the Panthers.

Hall, who completed 12 of his 15 pass attempts and compiled 257 yards, threw three touchdown passes. His 6-yard scoring run midway through the second quarter gave LCHS a 22-7 advantage.

Hall and Woods proved to be a potent combination for Lenoir City. The duo, however, received plenty of help from a supporting cast. Hall's 20-yard TD pass to Hamilton closed out the first-half scoring and gave Lenoir City a 28-14 halftime lead.

In the second half, Caleb Wilson had a pair of long touchdown runs to put the game out of reach. His 49-yard scoring dash made it 34-14 early in the third stanza. The score came after LCHS's defense forced a punt on the Admirals' first possession of the third quarter.

Wilson intercepted a pass on Farragut's next possession and scored one play later on a 48-yard scamper to make it 41-14.

The Admirals, who saw their playoff hopes all but dashed, had a big scoring play of their own when Bryan Phillips threw a 58-yard touchdown pass to Thomas Barnett to pull the home team to within 15-7.

Farragut also got a pair of short touchdown runs from Mitch White. Senior running back Jackson Fain scored the game's final TD on a 4-yard plunge.

Fain finished with 162 yards on 29 carries.

## Powell's Defense Continues to Shine

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Justin Galyon's 14, and he is now tied with Will Barnes for the career lead with 17. Playoff games count towards season and career records, so Moore has an opportunity to own both records before his career at Powell is over.

Linebacker Devin Scott also continued his terrific season, making 14 tackles - 3 for lost yardage - against the Bobcats. Scott's play was certainly noted by his head coach.

"I don't care what anybody says, Devin Scott is one of the best linebackers in the region, if not the entire state", Rang told me. "He's a sideline to sideline guy who just knows how to play defensive football."

Junior Dalton Long also had a solid game, stepping in to the starting lineup for an injured Cody Reed. Long made 8 tackles for the Panthers.

The win stretches Powell's win streak over the Bobcats to 6.

With Week 10 of the season off, the waiting game begins to find out if Powell will be placed in Quad 1 or Quad 2. Either way, expect a one seed for the Panthers.

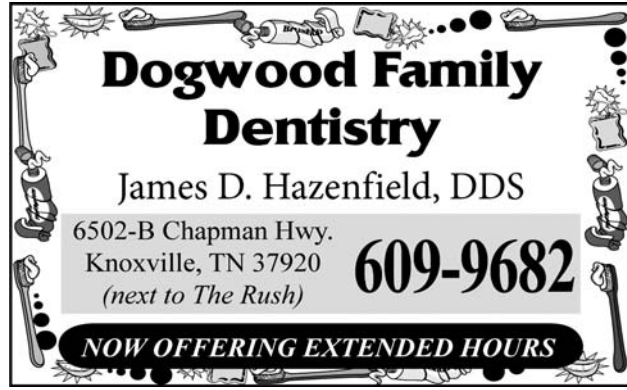
For Central, with five wins already they are likely in the playoffs as an at large team. A

win this Friday night over Halls would most certainly cement that bid. The job Bobcat head coach Joe Hassell and his staff have done this year has been impressive, and especially when you consider the 0-3 start of the season.

Playoff games kick off at 7 p.m., instead of 7:30 as regular season contests do. That means that air time for the radio broadcast of Powell's first round game on AM 620 WRJZ and streaming at www.powellpanthersfootball.com will be 6:30.



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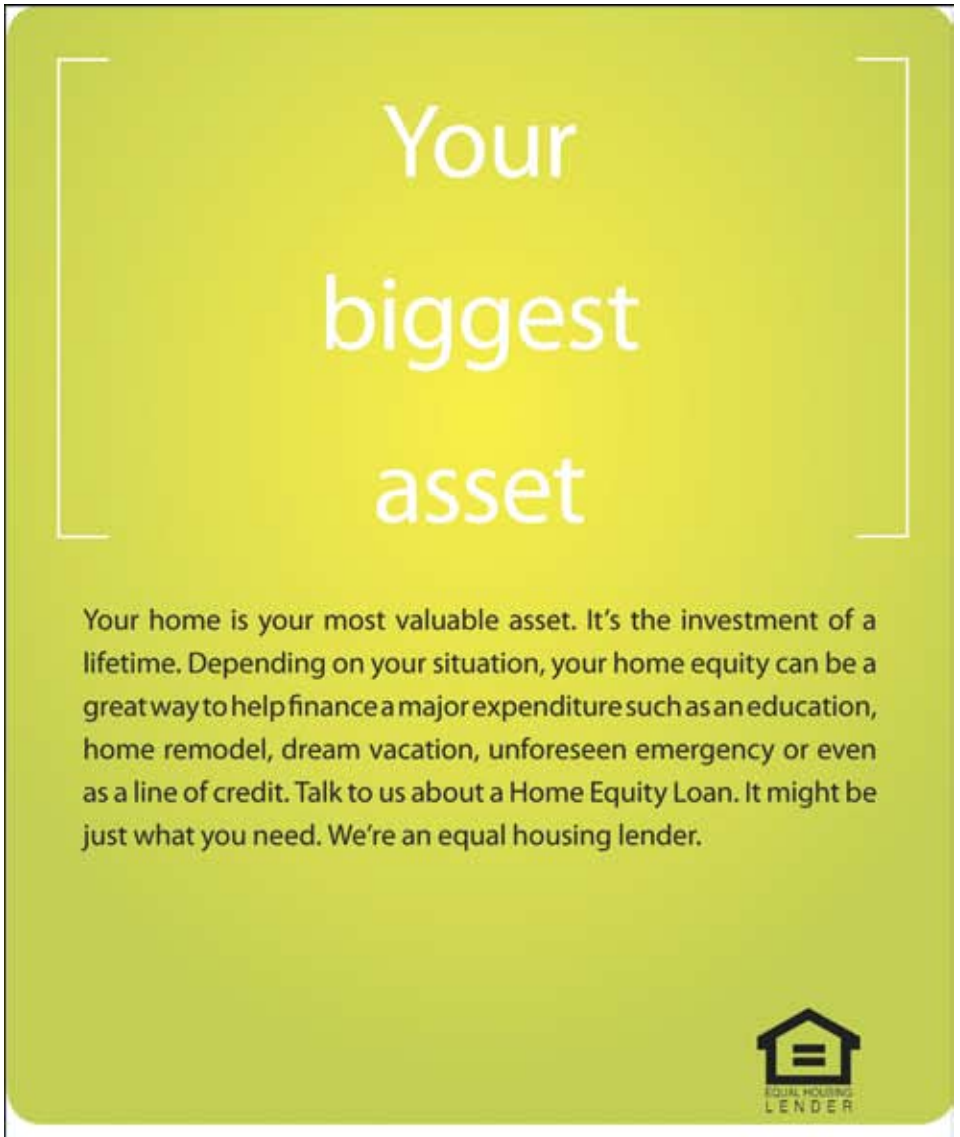
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| HALLS Class AAA, D3         | OPEN                             | vs. Sevier County L 14-42           | vs. Knoxville Powell L 12-55   | vs. Knoxville Webb L 6-35    | vs. Oak Ridge L 0-35           | vs. Anderson County L 6-43    | vs. Karns W 30-29             | vs. Hardin Valley L 18-52      | vs. Clinton L 20-41            | vs. Campbell County L 20-55    | vs. Knoxville Central  |
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| KARNS Class AAA, D3         | vs. South Doyle L 14-32          | vs. Knox Central (kv) L 7-14        | vs. Clinton W 45-24            | vs. Campbell County L 9-20   | vs. Knoxville Central L 14-34  | vs. Knoxville Powell L 7-21   | vs. Knoxville Halls L 29-30   | vs. Oak Ridge L 0-42           | vs. Anderson County L 14-49    | OPEN                           | vs. Hardin Valley      |
| POWELL Class AAA, D3        | vs. Rhea County W 14-6           | vs. Austin-East W 35-14             | vs. Knoxville Halls W 55-12    | vs. Oak Ridge L 3-21         | vs. Anderson County W 48-43    | vs. Karns W 21-7              | vs. Hardin Valley W 28-7      | vs. Clinton W 53-20            | vs. Campbell County W 20-13    | vs. Knoxville Central W 20-0   | OPEN                   |
| BEARDEN Class AAA, D4       | vs. Hardin Valley W 45-9         | vs. Morristown East W 38-7          | vs. William Blount W 37-3      | vs. Rhea County W 49-7       | vs. Lenoir City W 24-14        | OPEN                          | vs. Maryville L 3-21          | vs. Farragut W 48-45           | vs. Heritage W 42-6            | vs. Knoxville West W 24-17     | vs. Knoxville Catholic |
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| WEST Class AAA, D4          | vs. Austin-East W 31-15          | vs. Knoxville Fulton W 27-26        | vs. Maryville L 33-47          | vs. Morristown East W 42-7   | vs. Farragut W 21-14           | OPEN                          | vs. William Blount W 45-0     | vs. Lenoir City L 27-42        | vs. Knoxville Catholic W 41-20 | vs. Bearden L 17-24            | vs. Heritage           |

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## The Straw Man

A woman recently wrote me to say that I should confine my writings to medical issues and not speak of history, philosophy or politics. Apparently, she didn't have any problems with my frequent mention of religion, the Spirit, the Master or God. I told her I write about what's on my mind and heart at the moment, and I can't write or speak disingenuously. I'd probably be a lousy politician. I told her that she is free to read or not read my column, but I rejected her assertion that my words were "divisive" for the country. And though *The Knoxville Focus* has a substantial circulation, I doubt my words are influential nationwide.

These days we often hear descriptive adjectives such as divisive or hateful in the description

of someone's position. You need to understand that these terms are often used to dismiss or diminish another's opinion. In other words, the rhetorical use of certain words undercuts any substance of the opposing argument. This rhetorical technique is called an ad hominem attack. By denigrating the person, his or her words are made irrelevant. Another way to misrepresent someone's opinion is the straw man fallacy. An example of this rhetorical trick is to say that Mitt Romney hates women because he does not support taxpayer funded condoms.

What about the historical references in my columns? Am I not free to learn from others and share the wisdom of the ages? The 18th century

British statesman Lord Acton and later the philosopher George Santayana said that those who forget history are doomed to repeat it. Is this not relevant today as we think about the last four years and our decision to choose or reject four more years of the same? Likewise, patients who ignore the lessons of history and science are doomed to repeat the choices and misery of others who similarly made poor choices and reaped the consequences.

My erstwhile reader opines that I don't have the credentials to observe and comment on the lessons of history, philosophy or politics in my column. I assure you that I have my academic "plaques on the wall." Academic placards however do not define the man; I've known many sagacious people who have no formal academic credentials.

I write a lot these days about democracy and the direction of our country. The ancient Greek statesman, Pericles, once opined that a citizen who says they're minding their own business rather than participating in the affairs of the polis (the state), actually have no business there at all. So you see

all engaged citizens are important and necessary in a democracy. I challenged my reader, a liberal philosopher, to welcome diverse opinions. Unfortunately, she seems to be illiberal as she attempts to silence me.

As a trained observer of human behavior I frequently ask myself why people behave as they do. I'm a fan of the Seinfeld sitcom, and the quote by George Costanza seems relevant today. He said, "It's not a lie if you believe it." Could this be why our politicians lie to us? Have they convinced themselves of the events in Benghazi, Libya? Or is this tragedy due to incompetence and an ill-conceived foreign policy? Or is this debacle a politically mediated deception of the American people to cover up for past political rhetoric?

For this election my wife and I voted when the polls first opened. We've never participated in early voting, but did not want to risk even the remote possibility that something might happen to us and we might miss our chance to exercise our opinion in this historic election.

"These are the times that try men's souls," said Thomas Paine in

December 1776 when things seemed really bad for our barely hatched country. Our lot is much better than those Continental soldiers who shivered in the forest avoiding the more powerful and better equipped British Redcoats pursuing them. And radical Islamists aren't shooting at me or trying to blow up my friends in the adjacent humvee. Yet, our nation and the free world are in real trouble, so as a citizen I must speak out. Smiley faces and Kumbaya diplomacy only put us all in greater jeopardy.

The 20th century Christian apologist C. S. Lewis said, "We live in enemy territory." He was speaking of our "fallen world" that is subject to the malevolent forces of darkness. However, I believe there may be non-spiritual tyrannies currently operative that strive to enslave free men and make them subservient to an all powerful state run by the elite few. Some would say I am foolish and that our huge Federal Government is our friend and will take care of us. I admit that I trust in Providence and family and my friends and neighbors rather than the State.

These days I revel in caring for my grandson

and watching him grow and discover the world around him. I watch his eyes as he takes in his surroundings. Everything is new to him; not like adults who've seen it all before and have become jaded. We remember little of our first years, but the foundations of our minds are laid like footers for a building. Once the building goes up we no longer see the foundation, but it's there.

My job is to make sure Oakley has a firm foundation and is nurtured and protected. My job is to make sure he has the opportunity for "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." That's what this election is all about. And when it's over and the country is saved, I'll go back to the peaceful pursuit of medicine. We all need a rest!

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## Halloween's Lucky 13 to Safety

The thought of Halloween fills my head with mysterious haint tales and russet leaves blowing across a path, with the eerie sights of carved pumpkins glowing in a mist of flickering light. Halloween is filled with ghosts and goblins running amuck in search of tricks and treats. The fall air fills with sounds of mischievous giggles and laughter as they mix with the smell of scorching pumpkins on a cool, crisp night. Ooh, the magic of Halloween! Suddenly, giggles and laughter cease when a child lies motionless on the cold, dark pavement—the result of an accident caused by a Halloween distraction. Had I only changed one thing—giggles and laughter would still fill the night.

Halloween safety is a must and we all play an important role in keeping ghosts and goblins safe. Use the Halloween Lucky 13 steps to a safer and happier Halloween:

1). Swords, knives, and similar costume accessories should be short, soft, blunt, and flexible to prevent injury.

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By Howard Baker, RN BSN

# Aging and Fitness

During this time of cooler weather it is good to consider ways to get an excellent fitness workout indoors as well as outdoors.

In Fountain City and in Halls, adults in the 50+ crowd can find a new way of self expression while going for a fitness routine. Classes offered by 5th Degree Black Belt Kathryn Eldridge include Qigong in Fountain City and the "Adaptive Martial Arts — Isshinryu" at the Halls Senior Center.

Kathryn Eldridge, 60, has a lifelong interest in martial arts and has come to see the need for adapting the fighting arts from self defense to one of fighting the aging process. Eldridge, M.A.,

Community Health Education and Graduate Specialization in Gerontology, believes that classes have to be enjoyable to be popular. She said, "It is the experience of having fun and the camaraderie that keep people coming. The muscle work and the fighting aspects can be intimidating. The balance, flexibility and strength-training may be demanding — but when it is all over, you can be happy and not be hurt."

The classes work on flexibility, muscular strength, endurance, agility, coordination, balance and reflex reaction time, to name a few. The classes also offer mental benefits including awareness-building strategies,

ways to gain control of breathing, improving posture and changing posture to improve mood. It is a fun class!

Fountain City resident Eldridge has been practicing Isshinryu Karate for the past 37 years and attributes the martial arts to why she has remained so flexible and supple.

Her Adaptive Martial Arts — Isshinryu (AMAI) class is held Mondays and Wednesdays in November and December at the Halls Senior Center from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. This class is for seniors who are interested in improving muscular strength and flexibility in a brisk-paced fun class.

She also will be holding a Qigong Class in

Fountain City on Thursdays (excluding Thanksgiving) at 1:00 p.m. in November and December. "Qigong" is the practice of healing movement arts that originated in China as part of the acupuncture system. In fact, Eldridge learned this method in Beijing! Qigong movements involve coordinating breath with movement with the intention of directing energy through the body. The classes will meet in Fountain City Park next to Lion's Club Building.

Drop by and give the class a try. Everyone is welcome to a free trial class. For more information, please call (865) 313-0480.

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# Faith

## 'Worthy of my life'

*"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"*

*(Revelation 5:12).*

**By Mark Brackney,**  
Minister of the  
Arlington Church  
of Christ

Do you realize that we spend more time in the bathroom (American average per person is 60 minutes a day) than we spend with God (average is 7 minutes per day). How you spend your time tells what is valuable to you. How much of your time is God worthy of?

Imagine that you put a penny in a jar every second of the day (24 hours). That would be 3,600 pennies in one hour. That would be

86,400 pennies in one day. How many seconds a day are you giving to God? You can't say God is worthy and just give Him chump change.

The words Worthy and Worth are closely related. What is God worth to you? How much time do you have to serve, pray, and worship? How much time are you investing in loving God and others? I think Jesus would tell us, "If you give me 86,400 seconds of your day, I will give you forever."

Each moment of our lives is important. If you have lived long enough, you can testify that a choice made in one second of your life can mess your life up in a big way. That choice to drink and drive. That moment of anger that led to harsh words or violent actions. These moments and others can lead to heartache, regret, and broken relationships with God and others.

We can't play church. Jesus is either Lord of our lives or not. Jesus

demands to have the center of our lives; all of our day. If not, then we will suffer the consequences.

Perhaps it would be good to set a jar of 86,400 pennies on our desk or in a prominent place in the home. This would be a continual reminder that all of our day and every breath we take is worthy to devote to God. Jesus wants all of you, and when you give it to Him, you will have no regrets. For everything this world has to offer is "Utterly meaningless! Everything is meaningless" (Ecclesiastes 1:2). The writer of Ecclesiastes goes on to say, "I have seen all the things that are done under the sun; all of them are meaningless, a chasing after the wind" (1:14).

Let's not let our lives be for nothing. Invest in what really matters: "Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man" (Ecc. 12:13). Give God all your life!

## Church Happenings

### Beaver Ridge United Methodist Church

Beaver Ridge welcomes the community to two exciting upcoming events. On Saturday, October 27 at 1:00 p.m. we will have BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS. Bring your pet on a leash or in a cage or in your arms to the fenced-in area behind the Church Education Bldg. We will sing praise to God for all of his creation and bless each animal by name! This will be held in conjunction with an Animal Shelter Fundraiser by Girl Scout Troop 21048.

### Bookwalter United Methodist Church

Homecoming is Sunday, Nov. 4. Worship Service at 10:45 a.m. Rev. Nathan Malone, Knoxville District Superintendent of the United Methodist Church, will be the speaker. Covered dish luncheon follows.

### Clear Springs Baptist Church

The annual "Trunk and Treat" will be held on Saturday, October 27 on the new church property. Everyone is encouraged to participate. This event is a lot of fun, Christian fellowship,

witness opportunities, and a chance to invite people to CSBC!

The year's goal is 50 cars. Costumes are optional, although the kids enjoy them. Participating cars are asked to provide their own candy; however, please do not let this discourage your participation. The committee will make sure there is candy for everyone. Speaking of candy.... donations for candy will be greatly appreciated!

### Highland Baptist Church

Highland Baptist Church, 6014 Babelay Rd., will host Southern Gospel recording artist, Justin Terry, in concert at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 28. A love offering will be taken. More info [www.hbcknox.org](http://www.hbcknox.org) or call Byron 680-8823.

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## Halloween's Lucky 13 to Safety

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2). Costumes should be well fitted to avoid trips and falls. Masks should not block vision or impair hearing. Consider a cosmetic mask instead of a loose-fitting mask that could restrict breathing or vision. Always test make-up in a small area first for sensitivity and irritation. Remove all make-up before bedtime to prevent

skin and eye irritations.  
3). Make sure costumes are made of flame-resistant material and stay clear of lit candles and bulbs. Review the "Stop-Drop-Roll" technique in case clothes catch on fire.  
4). Fasten reflective tape to costumes and bags to help drivers see trick-or-treaters.  
5). Carry a flashlight to aid your vision; the light

will also help others to see you.  
6). Avoid trick-or-treating alone. Walk in small groups or with a trusted adult.  
7). Walk on sidewalks or the far edge of the road, facing traffic.  
8). Use designated crosswalks and look both ways before crossing. Avoid running out from between parked cars and driveways.  
9). WALK—don't run—from house to house; avoid running across lawns where ornaments or furniture may present unforeseen dangers.  
10). Choose safe houses for trick-or-treating; children should not enter any home or apartment unless they are accompanied by a trusted adult.  
11). Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid eating homemade treats

unless you know the cook well.  
12). Warn children not to eat treats before an adult has carefully examined them for evidence of tampering and/or choking hazards. Limit the amount of treats that are eaten.  
13). When possible, wear brightly colored costumes to increase visibility.  
The 13 steps to a safer Halloween aren't just for children. Adults face the same visibility hazards as children; therefore, as you head out to Halloween parties to enjoy the festivities, be sure to apply the same rules. Drivers, please slow down and look out for ghosts and goblins of all ages. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that children, ages 5 to 14, are four times more likely to sustain pedestrian injuries

on Halloween between the hours of 4 p.m. and 10 p.m. than on any other night of the year.  
Keep your eyes on the path ahead and your ears tuned to the giggles and laughter as you watch and listen to the traditions of Halloween. Enjoy the sights and smells of carved pumpkins while ghosts and goblins trick-or-treat. As quickly as a candle flickers in the night, Halloween's distractions could end a life.  
Because of the importance of this topic and an overwhelming positive response, this column is being repeated.  
*For questions, comments, or suggestions on topics you want to read about please email me at: [howard@howardsbaker.com](mailto:howard@howardsbaker.com).*

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ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

# Market update

The antiques and collectibles markets do not change overnight but they do change as to what is being invested in.



By Carl Sloan

Think of it as a monsoon season that lasts seemingly forever then the drought comes and your rain barrels are no longer full. Well it doesn't rain forever nor do droughts last, so being aware of markets is crucial as they are a moving target. Markets change for several reasons. Generational nostalgia, supply and demand, economy, decorating trends and perception. Notice I didn't say age because it has not much to do with long term values in most cases but that does not apply to all categories.

Decorative glass is down on the medium end such as cut glass, clear glass, Depression glass and such but well known art glass like Tiffany, Quetzal, Lalique, Galle', Durand, Moser, Daum Nancy and others are at an all time high with a consistent upward trend over a very long period. Art pottery such as Rookwood, Newcomb College, Rozanne Ware by Roseville, scarce Roseville patterns, Meissen, KPM and others have soared as well like there never was a recession. Period Southern furniture and even primitives have seen the same climb through thick and thin.

Advertising top end items such as porcelain signs, folk art, signs, soft drink items and clocks are now red hot and look to continue.

My point here is some things are worth more than their weight in gold even at today's high prices. For example, a Newcomb College vase will sell for \$25,000 and if 18K gold in weight would be worth only \$12,000 or so and without knowledge the vase looks to be just another pretty common item to the untrained eye such as many of these items mentioned.

The good news is that if you are wanting to convert your items to cash and need an assessment, I may be able to help. Fountain City Auction has asked me to assist those needing a clear answer for needed items and their potential values. Most times this can be accomplished by phone, email or a personal visit from myself at no cost to you. If you need a written and documented professional appraisal, including photographs for insurance or estate division, I have been providing those services to the East Tennessee community for over 30 years with good results.

Please email *The Knoxville Focus* at [staff@knoxfocus.com](mailto:staff@knoxfocus.com) and I will be in touch.

# House to Home

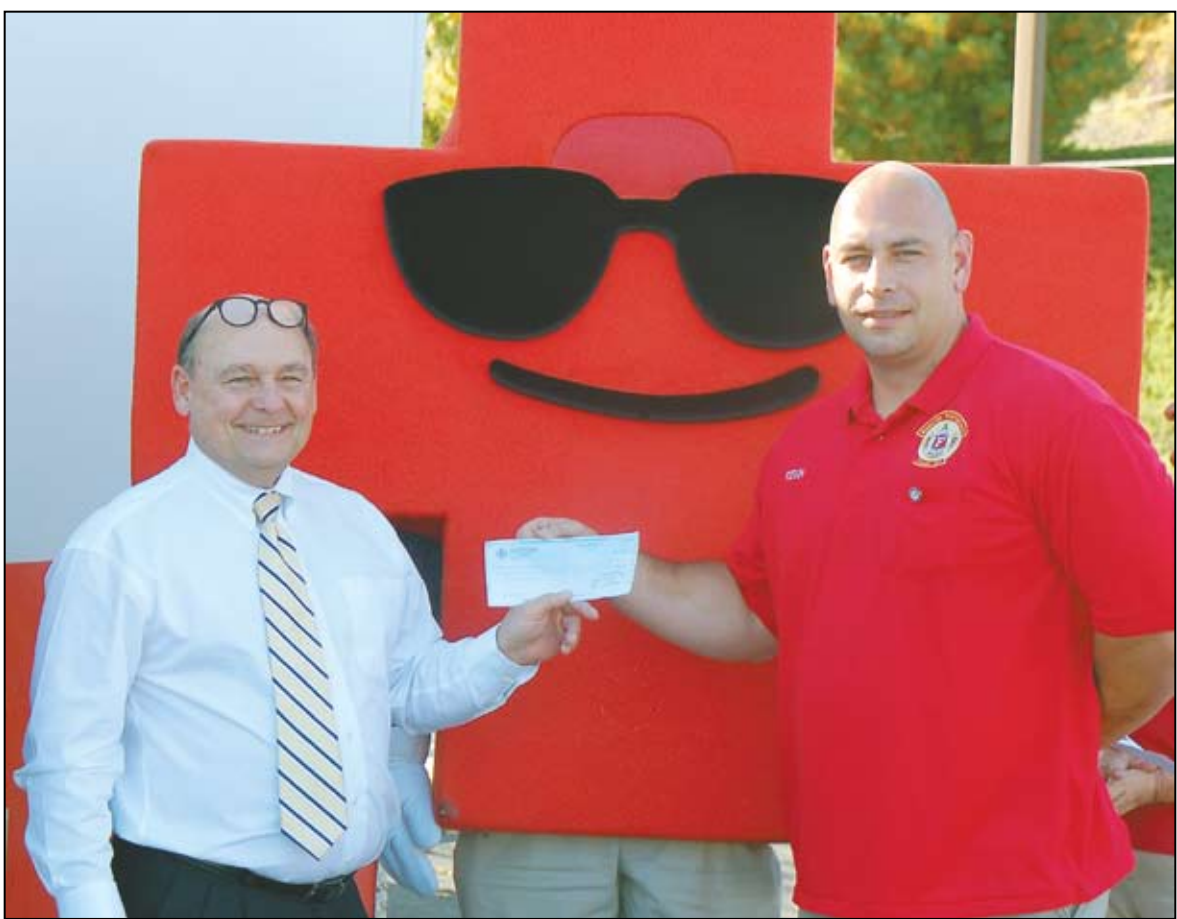


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Knoxville Fire Department Captain Kevin Faddis presented Boyd Romines, Regional Executive Director of the East Tennessee Red Cross, with a \$5000 check last Wednesday. The Red Cross will use the donation to educate children about fire safety and for fire response, which is care for those involved in a fire.



Pictured at the planning meeting are Johan Tilburg of Tindell's, Larry Smith of Tennova, Rob Followell of Tennova, Sheriff JJ Jones, Commissioner R. Larry Smith and Jody Dykes of Chick-fil-A.

## Community Clean Up Planned

A meeting was held last week at Tennova to plot out the upcoming Community Clean Up on October 27. The goal is to clean Emory road from Norriss Highway to Clinton Highway. Chick-fil-A and Tennova will provide breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and the clean up will begin at 9 a.m. There will be free childcare at Tennova Health & Fitness Center.

Childcare is free at fitness center. Bring your weedeater, garbage bags and gloves! For more information, contact Larry Smith at [rlsmithins@yahoo](mailto:rlsmithins@yahoo) or John Ewart at (865) 859-7907.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Central Wall of Fame

The Central Foundation and the CHS Alumni Association are very proud to honor four distinguished alumni as additions to the Central "Wall of Fame." This year's honorees are:

- Charlotte Davis, Class of 1951, pediatric head nurse, instructor of nursing and community activist.
- Ralph V. Norman, Jr., Ph.D., Class of 1951. Emeritus Professor of Religious Studies at the University of Tennessee, scholar and university administrator.
- C. Edward Mannis, Class of 1977, C.E.O. of Prestige Cleaners, sponsor of HonorAir Knoxville, president of the Dogwood Arts Festival and philanthropist.
- Rev. Billy Wallace, Class of 1941, pastor of several churches, community volunteer and administrator for U.T. Extension Service.

The above alumni will be honored at the 10th Annual "Wall of Fame" Breakfast to

be held on Saturday, November 12 at 9 a.m. at Central Commons, Central High School. 5321 Jacksboro Pike. The event will feature a video production of interviews with the honorees and will highlight the above graduates whose accomplishments and values demonstrate the achievements of past graduates and the potential of Central's future graduates. Tickets are \$20.00 per person and may be purchased by contacting Larry Smith at 922-5433.

### Chocolate for Sight

The Tri-County Lions Club invites you to participate in our 1st Annual Chocolate For Sight Event. This event is to raise funds for eye exams and glasses for local residents. The event will be held November 3, 2012 at the Seymour United Methodist Church from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Cost is \$50.00 for participants

Entry for attendees is free; to purchase

the chocolate items tickets will be \$1.00 each. Each booth will need to determine if their items are 1-3 tickets. All money collected helps our local residents with eye exams and glasses.

Benefits of your participation include exposure to and opportunity for interaction with event attendees. Opportunity to promote your place of business and to be recognized in promotions of the Chocolate For Sight event. Be a part of our community in helping others.

Each participant should bring at least 250 samples. These must contain chocolate. Tables will be provided. The Lions Club can provide a 11x17 poster or you can provide your own signage. If you need to have access to power please let the Lions Club know. Set up begins at 8 and must be ready to begin by 9:30. A brunch will be provided to all participants.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Connie Emmons at (865) 456-

0127.

### Halls BPA Christmas Banquet

The Halls Business & Professional Association will hold their Annual Christmas Banquet on Friday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Beaver Brook Golf and Country Club in Halls.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Kimberly Scheibe Greene, Executive Vice President and Chief Generation Officer of the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). She will reflect on her experiences at TVBA, her time at Halls High School, and the holiday season with her family.

The organization will name the Halls Man and Woman of the Year and announce the officers for the incoming year. There will be a silent auction, prior to the festivities. Tickets are available by contacting Sue Walker, chair of the event (865) 925-9200. The event for business, professional and residents of Halls and surrounding communities, is always a sellout.

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# CLASSIFIEDS



## Creamed Chicken Over Corn Bread

- 1 package (8-1/2 ounces) corn bread/muffin mix
- 1 tablespoon chopped onion
- 1/8 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1/4 cup butter, cubed
- 2 cups cubed rotisserie chicken
- 1 package (16 ounces) frozen chopped broccoli, thawed
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 teaspoons salt
- 2 egg yolks, lightly beaten
- 1 cup (8 ounces) sour cream
- 3/4 cup milk
- Shredded cheddar cheese

Prepare corn bread batter and bake according to package directions, using a 9-in. round baking pan.

Meanwhile, in a large skillet, saute onion and garlic in butter for 2-3 minutes; stir in chicken and broccoli. Cook and stir for 5-7 minutes or until heated through.

In a small bowl, combine flour and salt; stir in the egg yolks, sour cream and milk until smooth. Add to chicken mixture; cook and stir for 3-5 minutes or until thickened.

Cut warm corn bread into wedges; top with chicken mixture. Sprinkle with cheese.

## Sour Cream Corn Bread

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup yellow cornmeal
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon dried rosemary, crushed
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 egg
- 1 cup (8 ounces) sour cream
- 1/3 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted

In a medium bowl, combine dry ingredients. In another bowl, beat egg, sour cream, milk and butter; add to cornmeal mixture and mix just until combined. Pour into a greased 8-in. square baking dish.

Bake at 400° for 20-25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Serve warm.

### BULLETIN BOARD

**Glenwood Baptist Church of Powell**, 7212 Central Ave. Pike, is hosting a **Kid's Fall Fest**, Oct. 31, 5:30-7:30 pm., rain or shine.

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